

125 students and adults participated this year in **PSK YC-Sleep "Less" in Sterling** on March 12-15. There was great music from the band *Sonlit* and inspirational messages from the various speakers!



**Larry Peers** addressed those attending the **Vision & Planning Cluster Group** in Dodge City on March 6<sup>th</sup>. A Cluster Group was also held March 20<sup>th</sup> at Grace.

Mark your calendar for the remaining Cluster Groups:  
Apr 24<sup>th</sup> Cambridge  
May 8<sup>th</sup> Trinity  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>, Kingman and June 5<sup>th</sup>, Sterling.



# On The Wind

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Thoughts From Our General Presbyter

## WHAT'S NEW?

During this year when the Presbytery of Southern Kansas is trying to discern where God may be leading us, we are listening to each other as we listen for God's leading. There are many other voices begging for our attention as well. In the next few sentences I want to share with you four books that have recently been added to the PSK Resource Center. They are:

- ***Why Are These Presbyterian Churches Growing*** by Foster H. Shannon. There are brief stories of fifteen churches that have grown from 8% to 467% since 2002. They are large and small churches in urban and rural settings.
- ***The Indispensable Guide for Smaller Churches*** by David R. Ray. This author is a voice for the small church and this book is filled with a theological understanding of the small church as well as being a practical guide.
- ***Wonderful Worship in Smaller Churches*** by David R. Ray. In this book, David Ray identifies twelve principals for understanding worship in the smaller church.
- ***Deep Church*** by Jim Belcher. The sub-title for this book is, *A Third Way Beyond Emerging and Traditional*. This book is written for those who are not happy with the present state of the church and not sure where to turn for an answer.

Call the Presbytery Office to check out one of these books or the many other resources available.

*Don Owens*

## STERLING COLLEGE'S SPRING ENROLLMENT HIGHEST EVER



Sterling College has never before had more than 600 students enrolled in the spring semester.

On Feb. 5, 2010, that changed. With 42 new students, the most new spring semester students since 1995, and a steady retention rate, the total enrollment reached 628 students. "We continue to see students and their families who desire the Christ-centered education offered here at Sterling," said President Dr. Paul J. Maurer. "This enrollment milestone bears testimony to the momentum we are seeing here on campus."

On Feb. 9, 2010, at the Presbytery meeting, approximately 2,000 hygiene and baby kits were collected. PSK Disaster Response Team members, Skip Johnson, David Grisham & Ernie Hull drove these kits to the Ferncliff warehouse in Arkansas. They worked inspecting and packaging kits for delivery to Church World Services in Maryland, and onto Haiti. PSK Disaster Response Team members, Pam and Gary Evans, and a group from Derby church, formed a work team that also traveled to Ferncliff in February to help process the 49,388 lbs that were received in Feb.

Pam and Gary also gathered a team to return to Ferncliff March 23-31 to help process the 20,000+ lbs of kits that arrived at Ferncliff during the month of March.



## Ferncliff Update

Everything received must be sorted and checked before being packed for shipment.



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Q. What do you get when you erect walls, nail beams, and align spaces for windows?  
A. Chapel construction at Westminster Woods!